

# Nancy Lake State Recreation Area

## Winter Recreation Report 1/15/15

AREA	SNOWMOBILE STATUS	NEW SNOW (last week)	AVG. SNOW DEPTH	Comments
Cross Country Ski Trails	(non-motorized)	0"	11"	All three loops have been cleared. Trails were not groomed this week. Anticipate fast and icy conditions with some barely covered obstacles.
Lake Ice	OPEN	0"	11"	Lake ice depth has been measured at 14+". Many outlet and inlet creeks and streams remain open and flowing. Alaska State Parks makes no statements as to ice safety.
Canoe Trail	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
Butterfly Lake Trail/Lynx Lake Road	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
East side swamp trail to Skeetna Lake	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
Red Shirt Winter Trail	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
East Red Shirt Lake	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
Cross Park Trail	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
West Rolly Lake Motorized corridor	OPEN	0"	11"	Open to snowmachines*
Average snow depth recorded is uncompressed.				
Snowmobile openings are based on depth measurements, snow/water equivalency (snow density), packed snow base, safe ice conditions for public safety and for the protection of park resources.				

\*All areas south of Nancy Lake Parkway are open to the use of snowmachines. **Early season conditions exist including shallow snow coverage, hidden and visible obstacles, and open creeks. The Willow area has not received any snowfall in almost 3 weeks. If current snow and trail conditions continue to deteriorate, the closure to the use of snowmachines may be imminent.** Please check the Alaska State Parks website or call 495-6273 for current conditions before heading out into the park. Nancy Lake Parkway is closed to highway vehicles at the Winter Trailhead/mi. 2.2.

Please note: A \$5 day-use fee or 2015 annual parking pass is required at most trailheads throughout the park.

Best current weather data available from this website: <http://www.wunderground.com/US/AK/Willow.html>

The current park map is available at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/nancylk/nancylakemap.pdf>

The park winter map is available at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/units/nancylk/nanwimap.htm>

Back country users: Back-country use may be hazardous with lake and stream crossings, overflow, and extreme cold. Weather conditions can change rapidly and threaten your life. BE PREPARED!!! Remember hypothermia is a life-threatening problem. Safe traveling and planning can prevent backcountry emergencies. Always let someone know where you're going. Know the hazards of the country you're traveling in. Travel with safety gear and emergency provisions. Please operate snowmobiles in a responsible manor so that all users can enjoy and to protect Parks Resources.